

**SAUGET AREA 2
SAUGET AND CAHOKIA, ILLINOIS**

Key Message/Talking Points

- The RD/RA consent decree (CD) for Sites O, Q, R, and S was signed in December 2021. PRPs submitted the Remedial Design Overall Strategy Plan and Schedule 5/3/22.
- Site P remedial action construction was completed in December 2021.

Background

- Sauget Area 2 consists of a 312-acre site immediately east of the Mississippi River in a highly industrialized area in the villages of Sauget and Cahokia, and the city of East St. Louis, IL.
- Consists of five inactive disposal areas: three closed landfills (Sites P, Q, and R), four closed sludge dewatering lagoons (Site O), and a waste disposal site associated with an abandoned solvent reclamation facility (Site S).
- Prior cleanup activity has occurred at three of the sites: Sites O, Q, and R.
- 1979: Monsanto completed clay cover over Site R.
- 1985: Monsanto completed a stabilization project along Mississippi River adjacent to Site R.
- 1994/1995: EPA-Lead Removal Action- Site G waste consolidation and cover.
- 1995: EPA-Lead Removal Action- Small removal of riverbank drums at Site Q Central.
- 2000: EPA-Lead Removal Action- Large removal of drums and soil at Site Q South.
- EPA signed an AOC with the PRPs in November 2000 to conduct a RI/FS.
- EPA issued a UAO in September 2002 requiring the PRPs to construct a groundwater barrier wall, called a Groundwater Migration Containment System (GMCS), next to the Mississippi River as an early interim groundwater remedy to capture and treat area groundwater before it releases to the Mississippi River.
- EPA selected the final remedy for contaminated soils, sediments, surface water, and groundwater contamination source areas at the Site in the 2013 ROD.
- EPA and DOJ entered into a RD/RA CD with Ameren in 2019 that implements the selected remedy in the 2013 ROD for Site P. Site P is a sub-site of Sauget Area 2.
- The CD for Sites O, Q, R, and S was signed in December 2021 to implement the selected remedy in the 2013 ROD.
- Site P remedial action construction was completed in December 2021.
- PRPs submitted the Remedial Design Overall Strategy Plan/Schedule 5/3/22.

EX. 5 Deliberative Process

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